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## The invention claimed is

| 1 | 1. A method of providing a communication key to a user, comprising the step of:    |
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| 2 | using a first network to securely provide a communication key to a user for use in |
| 3 | communications over a second network.  |

- 2. The method of claim 1, wherein the key is an authentication key.
- 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the key is an encryption key.
- 4. The method of claim 3, wherein the key is an authentication key.
- 1 5. The method of claim 1, wherein the first network is a CDMA network.
  - 6. The method of claim 1, wherein the first network is a TDMA network.
    - 7. The method of claim 1, wherein the first network is a GSM network.
      - 8. The method of claim 1, wherein the first network is an AMPS network.
    - 9. The method of claim 1, wherein the second network is a data communications network.
    - 10. The method of claim 1, wherein the second network is a voice communications network.
    - 11. A method of providing a communication key to a user, comprising the step of:
      using a first network to securely provide a communication key to a user for use in
      communications over a second network, where the first network securely transmits the key using
      a ciphering key.
    - 12. The method of claim 11, wherein the key is an authentication key.
    - 13. The method of claim 11, wherein the key is an encryption key.

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| 1 | 14. The method of claim 13, wherein the key is an authentication key.                          |
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| 1 | 15. A method of providing a communication key to a user, comprising the step of:               |
| 2 | using a CDMA network to securely provide a communication key to a user for use in              |
| 3 | communications over a second network, where the first network securely transmits the key using |
| 4 | a ciphering key and where the second network is a data network.                                |
| 1 | 16. The method of claim 15, wherein the key is an authentication key.                          |
| 1 | 17. The method of claim 15, wherein the key is an encryption key.                              |
| 1 | 18. The method of claim 17, wherein the key is an authentication key.                          |
| 1 | 19. A method of providing a communication key to a user, comprising the steps of:              |
| 2 | receiving a communications key from a first communication network; and                         |
| 3 | providing the communication key to a user using a second communication network,                |
| 4 | where the communication key is used for communications over the first network.                 |
| 1 | 20. The method of claim 19, wherein the step of providing comprises securely providing         |
| 2 | the communication key to the user.   |
| 1 | 21. The method of claim 19, wherein the key is an authentication key.                          |
| 1 | 22. The method of claim 19, wherein the key is an encryption key.                              |
| 1 | 23. The method of claim 22, wherein the key is an authentication key.                          |
| 1 | 24. A method of providing a communication key to a user, comprising the steps of:              |
| 2 | providing a communication key to a first communication network for delivery to a user;         |
| 3 | and  |
| 4 | using the communication key for communications with the user over a second                     |
| 5 | communication network.   |
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communication key for secure delivery to the user.

25. The method of claim 24, wherein the step of providing comprises providing the

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- 1 26. The method of claim 24, wherein the key is an authentication key.
- 1 27. The method of claim 24, wherein the key is an encryption key
- 1 28. The method of claim 27, wherein the key is an authentication key.